Mr. K. S. Raghavan *(Secretary to Government):* I move that Government be granted an additional allotment of Rs. 1,895 under "20—Police—Division-Inspectors—Votable", and Rs. 25 under "20—Police—Division-Inspectors—Duty Allowance". The objects are explained in the notes to the Standing Finance Committee. I request that the grant be made.

Mr. President: The question is that Government be granted Rs. 1,895 under "20—Police—Division Inspectors—Votable" and Rs. 25 under "20 Police—Division Inspectors—Duty Allowance".

Demands, put and carried

90—20—Police

Mr. K. S. Raghavan *(Secretary to Government):* I move an additional allotment of Rs. 54,80 under "20-Police—Executive Force—Sub-Inspectors, etc." be granted to Government. The object is explained in the Note to the Standing Finance Committee.

Mr. President: There are a few cut motions by Mr. Kumaran Ezhuthassan. What is it for?

Rao Sahib A. Madhava Prabhu *(Chief Secretary to Government):* To get suitable sons of Cochin suitably trained to take up and fill the post of the Commissioner of Police.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri):* What is the trouble about it?

Mr. President: Let us take the cut motions one by one.

Rao Sahib A. Madhava Prabhu *(Chief Secretary to Government):* The question relates only to the pay of the Sub-Inspectors etc., whereas the cut motion is to get a suitably trained son of Cochin to take the post of the Commissioner of Police.

Mr. President: I think it is out of order.

Rao Sahib A. Madhava Prabhu *(Chief Secretary to Government):* The next motion relates to the raising of pay of Inspectors, Division Inspectors etc. There is a Pay Revision Committee. Why should we now consider it? The matter is being considered. Is there any necessity therefore to move this motion?

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri):* If it is objectionable, I don't move.

Mr. President: The next motion is to urge upon the Government to have only one cadre of Sub-Inspectors instead of three grades. Do you want to move this?

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri):* Yes, Sir. Whatever is possible to be moved, I will move.

CUT MOTION NO. 6

I move that the demand for Rs. 54,802 under "20—Police Executive Force, be reduced by Re. 1 to urge on the Government to have only one cadre of Sub-Inspectors on Rs. 100—3—115—4—135—5—150 instead of three grades on Rs. 60—80, 80 to 100 and 100 to 150. The object of the cut motion is this, the undesirability of having three cadres of Sub-Inspectors doing exactly the same work, the same quality of work; it is something which a civilised Government should not perpetuate. The earlier the Government is able to convert, rather abolish the graded system into a time-scale system that Government comes in for eulogy and praise. Why not you earn-that is the question. That a sub-Inspector of Police on Rs. 60-80 is doing the same work as an Inspector on Rs. 100—150. That fact is not disputed. Of course there may be difference in a sense, or it may be attempted to argue that there is difference. A Sub-Inspector of Police in charge of a boistrous area like Anthikad and a sub-Inspector of Police like an innocent, docile area like my place, Vadakkancheri, is different, but is it not after all a fallacious position to take up? The simplest of cases, the biggest of cases will have to be viewed from the same standpoint. The tests to be applied are the same. The standards to be kept are the same. The forms to be adopted, the charge-sheet that are to be sent up are the same, and all the rest is the same. So even if you think of sticking on to that false idea, that between place and place the work of the Sub-Inspectors will vary, why not they also profit like an Inspector who starts on Rs. 100 and goes up to Rs. 150? If experience is a test of ability, and capacity, you may put such men on a higher grade in more turbulent areas. I don't concede the position that the smallest man can be posted to even innocent places on the plea that he can manage. If you want to stick to that false position, there is a device; have a responsible officer like an Inspector on Rs. 100—150 whose responsibilities have to be known, to be understood.

Mr. President: Do you want to prolong?

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Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri)* : I want to make my position understood. So, the position I have explained is it is necessary to have a time-scale and the lowest grade must be Rs. 100. He is also a human being. He is also a Government servant. He has also to keep up just like a departmental head, not in the same level. For that a minimum of Rs. 100 is necessary; otherwise his investigations will be colourful. To avoid all that, give him a decent salary.

Mr. President : You may please continue discussion on this tomorrow. Meanwhile, I wish to announce that under S.O. 6 (1) of the Cochin Legislative Council Standing Orders, the Diwan has been pleased to direct that the official business left over at the conclusion of the sitting of the Council on 17th April 1947 will be taken up on Friday, 18th April 1947. The non-official business posted for Friday will be taken up after the conclusion of official business on that day or on Saturday, the 19th April 1947, if the official business does not terminate on Friday.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri)* : Sir, one thing. I want to ascertain if that is possible. Is it not an encroachment upon the non-official business? Will it be compensated?

Mr. President : The present arrangement is what has now been announced.

The House adjourned at 5 p.m.

P. NARAYANA SWAMI,
Secretary to the Council

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